PROGRESS IN THE SOUTH.

AGENERAL IMPROVEMENT ALONG THE SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Diversified Farming Is Bringing About a Healthful Condition of Business. The Outlook for Increased Prosperity,

BALTIMORE, Dec. 28.-Vice-President W. W. Finlay, of the Southern Railway Company, has given to the Manufacturer's Record a general summary of the busisa outlook for the country tributary o the Southern rallway, which practicalgraces everything from Washington Mississippi river, Mr. Finley says:

business outlook in the regions sed by the Southern railway was never more promising than at the pres

ing from all portions of the North and Northwest, as well as from Europe, has been, and continues to be, steadily on the increase. This steady growth of popula-tion has been systematized along con-

ated and many more will be, composed f homogeneous people, who are work-ing ing together in harmony and are caping the rewards of labor judiciously

FLOURISHING INDUSTRIES.

being extended, and those already estab-lighed improved so as to fully keep abreast of the demands upon them by the increasing volume of business. marked increases in diversified farming, through which the South is now raising many of its supplies which it formerly purchased from other sections, is exerting a healthful influence upon all classes, as well as largely adding to

Upon the whole the outlook for in-creased prosperity in the South was ne-ver better than at present.

HOPE IN AN ANONYMOUS LETTER. Credulous Cubans Believe Maceo Alive.

Weyler's fluicheries Continue. HAVANA, via KEY WEST, Dec. 25.-Macco's death is the leading conversation of the people of Havana. Many stubbornly persist in denying the truth of his death, especially after reading an anony-mous sheet circulated the other day announcing that Macco is anyo and only dangerously wounded, and if carefully attended is expected to survive, and ap some day at the head of his belived | how the difficulty originated.

revived their despondent spirits.
That Macco was foully dealt with, no doubts exist, and even honest Spaniards admit the fact, and express their Indigna-

It is recalled now that Ochando promised that he would make important reve

lations in the future, which will surely throw much light on the subject.

Weyler's campaigns of bloodshed and devastation in the Pinar del Rio province continues more vigorously than ever. All officials' reports clearly indicate this fact. It is known from good authority that It is known from good authority that
Weyler has issued secret orders to consider as bandits all found outside the
town or city limits, and that they be
therefore, shot on the spot. Many honorable officers are protesting against this
order and requesting against this order, and requesting passports to return to Spain. They say they came to fight Cubans, and not to kill innocent people.

The representatives of the Heraldo and the Liberal, at Madrid, have wired their papers strongly protesting against Weyler's horrible methods of carrying on the war. The people of Havama are surprised that these butcheries should be consulted at their very dors and reconcommitted at their very doors and reported by the papers, while no attention is paid to the butcheries by the Washington authorities or word sent to Spain to stop the butcheries.

The situation of the rebels in Pinar del

Rio is not so serious as Weyler alleges, and about 500 crossed the trocha from Havana province into the former. It is a fact that the rebels have entrenched in the hills at least 12,000 well-armed and

mutioned troops.
The Spaniards admit the presence of 6,000, and cannot understand Weylor declaring the section pacified while so many

are still existing.

It is now known that Calixto Garcia captured the whole convoy, which Gen. Rey escored to Hayamo. This is said Rey escored to Hayamo. This is said to be the most important convoy ever sent to that place. Another convoy sent to Jiguani, escorted by General Bosch, was forced to return, as they found the place besieged by rebels under Garcia. There are no details as yet. It is only known that the government is rushing the troops to that section Five battalions left Batabano this week

Yesterday the rebels burned the town of Calvario, close to Havana, and are still very active around the city.

It is known that Gomez is steadily advancing. Numerous sharp fightings in Santa Clara province this week point to his whereabouts, or at least show that

large masses of rebels are in that pro-

A THREATENED NEGRO RIOT.

White Citizens Turn and Arrest a Car

Load of Leaders.

MACON, GA., Dec. 25.—A special to the Telegraph from Hahira, Ga., says:

Telegraph from Hahira, Ga., says:

The marshal at this place arrested a negro last night which enraged the entire black population. Negroes gathered about the scene to rescue their comrade from the officer. Armed with guns, pistols and rifles, they threatened to wipe out the whites, and especially all officers of the law. A scuffle ensued, in which the marshal and several negroes were shightly injured.

Fearing a bloody riot and the says a leading to the same ship and several negroes.

B. Smith, who received a certificate of election as Democratic presidential electors. J. S. Wedding and H. S. Howes (Reps.), slectors from the ..inth .nd Fourth districts are named as contestants. The notice charges fraud in the First. Second, Third, Fourth, Seventh, Ninth and Tenth districts. This was the last day on which notice could be filed.

MONETARY REPORM CONVENTION. Mr. Hanna Outlines What the Convention

Should Do and What Avoid. INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26.—The Executive Committee of the Monetary Reform

r cities.

If ing the session the question arose o what the committee was appointed o, and Mr. Hanna expressed himself follows:

iso a currency plan that can percoval of all classes. should like to see an Execu-itive, whose business shall be

THE BOSTON STRIKE,

Men Feel That Their Leaders Bungled and Put Them at the Mercy of Companies. BOSTON, Dec. 27.-Cars were running

without interruption on all lines of the West-End street railway to-day. Many of the cars were run by new men, however. It was evident that the company intended to get rid of the men who were most active in the strike.

Three is a good deal of bitter feeling among the men against the leaders of the union. Some of them feel that the council had bungled the whole matter so badly that it amounted to a virtual betrayal of the union into the hands of the compliny. The discharged men will attempt to make arrangements for an indignation meeting to-night in Fanuel Hall. One of the discharged leaders said that the union was practically dead.

GOVERNOR STONE TO THE RESC CE

He Addresses a Mob of Lynchers and Saves the Prisoner's Life.

JEFFERSON CITY, MO., Dec. 26.—Governor Stone addressed a mob of about six hundred people at the fall about 8 six hundred people at the hall about 8 o'clock this evening. The crowd gathered there for the purpose of lynching Tobe Lanahan, the man who is supposed to have assaulted and murdered Neille Gaine last night. The Governor spoke to the mob about fifteen minutes, urging them not to be too hasty in their action, as the evidence is only circumstantial, and it may be he is not guilty. After the Governor concluded the crowd began to disperse. General Wakham, with lifty deputies, was kept on guard until the mob had dispersed, and then took the prisoner to the State prison for safe-keeping.

HIS GUN HUNG PIRE,

It Was a Fatal Accident, as the Other

WELDON, N. C., Dec. 26.-Special,-Spain, a white man, and Doggett (colored) got into a difficulty at Tillery yesterday. Spain levelied his gun at Dog-gett and polled the trigger. The gun fall-ed to fire. Doggett then shot Spain dead in his tracks and escaped. It is not known

Raieigh Notes.

RALEIGH, N. C. Dec. 28 Special— the Christmas of 1896 here was a typi-al whiter day, clear and cold, and enjoy-

Mecklenburg News.

BOYDTON, VA., Dec. 26.—Special.—
Tom Bennett (colored) was brought here
from South Hid this morning and lodged
in juil for making an assault upon Mr.
P. F. Smith, a justice of the peace of
this county, while in the discharge of his
duty. Such an offence is punishable
with fine and imprisonment.
A store has been started here for the
sale of second-hand furniture and clothing by Mr. Haygood, of Le Crosse.
Some of our citizens are getting ice
here to-day. It is about two inches
thick.

A Terrible Tragedy.

VALDOSTA, GA., Dec. 26.—A terrible tragedy occurred to-day at Sparks, twenty miles below here, in the killing of J. Z. Elliott, a prominent merchant and cotton broker, by James Chambers. The

Noted Swindlers Pardoned.

ATLANTA, GA. Dec. 25.—Governer At-kinson to-day pardoned Harry Hill and Sidney Lascelles, better known as "Lord Beresford." These were two of the most noted characters in the prison. Both were convicted for fergery, Hills causing a scandal involving some prominent fami-lies.

lies.

Excension protended to represent English capitalists, and he swindled some parties in Reme, Ga., with whom he was negotiating for the purchase of iron properties.

Both Hill and Beresford had sixteen months longer to serve.

Flerida Town Burned.

MIAMAI, FLA., Dec. 25.—Fire this morning burned mest of the business pertion of the town.

The postoffice and bank buildings are among those destroyed.

J. Frank. a colored man, was killed by the explosion of a gas fountain.

The loss will amount to about \$30,000, and the total amount to insurance will not amount to more than \$12,000.

Burned Out and Nearly Frozen.

SUFFOLK, VA., Dec. 25.—The dwelling occupied jointly by James Downing and Doe Saunders, with their families took fire at 2 o'clock this morning and eight person barely escaped with their lives; then half clad, they came near freezing before shelter wis proffered by a neighbor.

A Dash for Liberty.

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BORKER, VA., Dec. 25.—Special.—Mr. W. M. Neblitt, jailer at Sussex Courthouse. Va., on yesterday was feeding the prisoners, four in one cell. One made a break for liberty and made good his escape. His name was Turner Ferguson. His trial was set for January 7th. He was put in for stealing.

TELEGREPHIC BREVITIES,

of the law. A scuffle ensued, in which the marshal and several negroes were shightly injured.

Fearing a bloody riot, aid was asked from neighboring towns, when white men responded and soon quieted the disturbance by arresting a car-load of the black enders, carrying them to Valdesta fall.

To Contest an Bicctoral Vete, Richmond, RY., Dec. 31.—Through A. Becretary Olney has declined an invitation to attend the Sound-Money banquet at Chicago, January 8th, the diplomatic dinner at the White House January 7th requiring his presence in this city at that time.

AMBULANCE DOCTOR BUSY.

Several Calls Yesterday-One of a Serious

Nature, Yesterday afternoon at 3:20 o'clock the ambulance was called to No. 6 Louisiana street, Rocketts, to attend John Childress, a white man, whose wife had beat him over the left eye. She left a cut two inches long. Three stitches were neces-sary to close the wound, and the man was turned over to his physician, Dr. Reaves. At 4:30 o clock the ambulance was sum-moned to Eighteenth and Main streets.

moned to Eighteenth and Main streets, where Mr. Trodst, a white man, who was unloading a cart, cut his thumb. He was treated and left.

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A colored woman named Tinnie Brooks had a misunderstanding with George Martin at 607 east Main street at 5:45 o'clock, who struck her with some sharp instrument across the forehead, making a gash about five inches long, which required ten stitches to close. There was also a smaller cut on the head. She was left at home. Martin, up to a late hour, had not been arrested.

MR. DOUGLASS WEDDED.

His Bride Miss Adelaide R. Cannon, of North Carolina. Mr. Jay Barnette Douglass, of Rich-

mond, and Miss Adelaide R. Cannon, of Concord, N. C., were married yesterday Mr. Douglass is a well-known business man of Richmond, being connected with the H. W. Hountree & Brother Trunk and Bag Company. He is quite popular, not only in Richmond, where he has many friends, but in North Carclina, South Carclina, and Georgia, in which States he has a wide acquaintance.

His bride is one of the most charming young ladies of the old North State. Sho has been quite a belle in North Carolina for two or three years, and is a young lady of many time characteristics.

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The Armenians and Their Persecutors,

Mr. R. H. Markis will speak to the boys on "The Life of Jesus." A boy's Insru-mental quintette will furnish the music, At 4 o'clock the men's meeting will be addressed by Rev. George Barsoom, of Constantinopie, Turkey, He will speak on the subject "The Armenians and Their Persecutors." This meeting will be in-tensely interesting as Mr. Rarsoom is to be present at this meeting.
On New Year's evening the third num-

promises to be one of rare merit, and the lubs are said to be the equal of any university clubs in America, ifnot the superior. Reserved seats will go on sale Wed-

To Invite Mr. Walker.

A called meeting of the board of directors of the Richmond Chamber of Commorce was held yeaterday at 1250 F. M. o'clock. President S. H. Hawes explained that the object of the meeting was to take concurrent action with the Clearing-House of Associated Banks of Richmond in inviting the Hon. Joseph H. Walker, chairman of the House Committee on Banking and Currency, to address the members of both bodies at such time as may suit his convenience in the half of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. William L. Boyall and Judge George L. Christian were present by Invitation and addressed the board oriety were

electrical effects are said to be very inc, and there are to be three trained horses introduced in the play known as "Fipefly," "Charger," and "Queen Hess," respectively. Forty people are required to produce "The Great Northwest," which has had favorable notices from both the Boston Herald and the Boston

which has had favorable notices from both the Boston Herald and the Boston Traveller.

A RLOOD.THIRSTY ENCOUNTER.
A White Man Stabs a Negro Frencher in the Presence of Frightened Specialors.
LYNCHBURG, VA., Dec. 22.—A serious cutting affray occurred in this city yesterday afternoon on Main street, the principals being a colored prescher, Thomty miles below here, in the killing of J. Z. Elliott, a prominent merchant and cotton broker, by James Chambers. The trouble started in a bar-room, where town marshal was trying to arrest a drunken man when Chambers took the part of the disarderly person. Elliott stepped out to prevent bodily harm being done the marshal, when Chambers drew his pletol and shot Elliott down.

as Early, and a young white man named Dan Broader known as "Euck" Broader. The trouble started in a bar-room, where head of which the colored preacher struck young Broader on the side of the head. By the interference of several persons the combatants were separated, but Broader, and he, shortly after Early left. Broader swore that he would have vengeance, and he, shortly after Early left
the saloon, followed with a knife in his
hands. When the street was reached
Broader jumped on Early's back and began slassing at him with the knife at a
fearful rate. Early, who is a small man
and in feeble health, screamed in a pitiful
manner, and attempted to escape. His
assalliant, lowever, cluing to his back,
plunging the knife again and again into
the negro's body. It was a fearful scene,
and was witnessed by a large number of
persons, all of whom, apparently startled
for the moment out of their wits, gazed at
the combatants without aftempting to
interfere. Broader, after cutting Early
at least twenty times, released his hold
and fled. Early then walked about fifty and fled. Early then walked about fifty yards and fell near the curbing of the sidewalk. He was removed to his home, and is not expected to recover.

intense excitement prevailed. Broader took refuge over a vacant store and was there arrested by the police, whose timely arrival was undoubtedly the only thing that prevented further trouble.

Light Weights Fight,

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NEW YOLK. Dec. 25.—Four thousand sporting men sew Owen Zeigler, of Philadelphia, and Kid McPartland, of this city, light weights, light twenty rounds to a draw at the Breadway Athletic Club tonight. Zeigler did most of the work throughout, but his swings were, as a rule, wide of the mark, whereas his opponent showed plenty of chyerness, and impressed the spectators by making a draw, when before the men entered the ring the betting was 5 to 3 in favor of the Philadelphian.

Hethodist Sunday-School Society.

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The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Methodist Sunday-School Society will be held at Broad-Street Methodist church this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The election of officers for the ensuing twelve months will take place.

The preliminary religious exercises will be conducted by Rev. E. H. Rawlings, of Clay-Street Methodist church.

Prisoners Cremated.

MANSFIELD MO. Dec. 26.—The county jail at Hartville. Wright county was burned last night. Two prisoners, Charles Harper (colored) and Lem Lankinster (white), were cremated.

***** IN DRAMATIC

CIRCLES.

Marie Halton is in vaudeville.
Melba has a \$15,000 dress.
"Hazel Kirke" is on the road.
Geraldine Ulmer is in New York.
Bernhardt has played 112 parts.
Minnie Palmer is acting in England.
Watter Sanford is acting in Lond Waiter Sanford is acting in London.
Minnie Maddern Fiske is thirty-three
years old.

buffalo is to have a \$1,500,000 theatre-ho-The Eiderdown Quilt" is a London

iol. Smith Russell will act in London Joseph Jefferson will not act again until

"Mahana," a new comic opera, was given at Milwaukee Sunday night.
Edwin Hoff has replaced Elitchie Ling in Lilliam Russell's company.
Robert Edeson will be the leading actor with Maud Adams next season.
E. S. Willard is to enact Robespierre in a dramn of the French Revolution.
Melba enacted Vioistia in "La Traviata" for the first time in New York last week.

east of Britiany.
It is reported that Klaw & Erlanger
Ill abandon all sorts of lithographs,
and all serts of window advertising. It will cut off an average of 5,000 deadheads

comedy drama to succeed "The Old Hemestead."

Mexican cities have some very pretty theatres, copied after the style of American play-houses. The entertainments are on the continuous show order, and last until midelight, with latermissions of fifteen minutes to one hour between acts, if a person does not desire to remain during the entire performance, he can ourchase a fisket for one, two three, or more acts as desired, at 25 cents per net. While the curtain is down, men who pretend to be anybody are expected to wear their bats. Sincking is permitted during this time. What struck us most forcibly was the manner in which the dudes and chappies. In their fight-fitting trousers and short jackets, would stand up and, with opera glasses in hand, orle the pretty senoritas in the boxes.—Mexico letter in Eight-Hour Heraid.

JEFFERSON'S FOUNTAIN PEN.

An Interesting Letter Written by the Sage of Monticello.

A well-known citizen has in his posses.

A well-known citizen has in his posses-sion an interesting autograph letter dated at Monticello, May 31, 1824, and addressed to General Bernard Peyton, of Richmond. In this letter, written in Jefferson's cop-perplate hand, which showed no signs of the feeblences of age Mr. Jefferson said: "You are one of the best friends in the world, because you attend to the small-est things, which are often more gratify-ing than great ones. I saw yesterday

world, because you attend to the smallest things, which are often more gratifying than great ones. I saw yesterday
in the hands of Mr. Dyer a fountain pen,
one of the best I ever saw. He said it
was made for him by Mr. Cowan, a
watchmaker, of Richmond, and cost him
bd. The outer tube was of silver, but
the two leaves of the pen were gold, and
no other metal will resist the corrosion
of the ink. Pray get the favor of Mr.
Cowan to make such a one for me. Add
this to the many kind offices you render
me, and which ever entitle you to my affectionate attachment."

The present custodian of the letter
writes to The Star as follows:
"The publication of the inclosed letter
may be of interest to your many readers,
It was addressed by Mr. Jefferson in 1824
to General Bernard Peyton, a distinguished citizen of Richmond, Va., whose family was connected with Mr. Jefferson, and
on terms of intimate friendship with him
for many years. General Peyton was a
gallant officer in the war of 1812, and
one of the first and most admirable offectal acts of President William Henry

gallant officer in the war of 1812, and one of the first and most admirable official acts of President William Henry Harrison was the appointment of his comrade in arms to the place of postmaster of Richmond. The letter was written a little more than two years before the death of Mr. Jefferson, who died on the 4th of July 1820, at the age of eighty-three. The chirography, as you observe, is wonderfully firm and legible, and would have been remarkably fine if it had come from the hand of a man of leisure of forty years of age. The letter evinces the unabated and active interest of Mr. Jefferson in matters even of miner public interest, and its contents may perhaps surprise most persons who have been un-

der the common impression that the fountain pen is a recent invention as Mr. Jefferson speaks of having seen examples of them before 1824.

of them before 1824.

A. B. H."

Whatever the Cowan fountain, which cost "åd.," may have been no one now living seems likely to know. If it was patented as fountain pens are nowadays no record of it exists at the Patent Office. The first fountain pan invested and it. patented as fountain pens are nowadays no record of it exists at the Patent Office. The first fountain pen invented and patented by an American was made by Douglass Hyde, whose patent is dated May 20, 1839. Mr. T. C. Gould the same year, on October 1st, also patented a fountain pen, and in 1832, Charless Cleveland devised one. Ten years passed before another patent on a fountain pen was issued. Then Nieholas Fartlett took out protection on an invention in this line. Starting slowly the idea of self-feeding when once under headway. Down to October 19, 1882, there had been 181 patents granted on fountain pens. Since pens seems to have flourished vigorously then there have been perhaps as many more. There were fountain pens patented in England as for back as 1809, when Thomas Folsch made record of his invention. In 1819 Charles Sheeffer followed, and in 1826 William Johnston patented a fountain pen. There is great lowed, and in 1825 William Johnston patented a fountain pen. There is great similarity in all the devices, and the drawings of the earliest of them resemble those of the latest so closely that one may well wonder where the invention in the modern devices comes in. In 1899 Joseph Brahma, of Pimilco, England, invented a fountain quill pen. One inventer, whose design coincides closely with all the rest, shows invention in his name for it, which was the "polypantagraph."—Washington Star.

VIRGINIANS AT HARVARD.

Prominent in the Various Social and Edu. cational Organizations.

CAMBRIDGE, MASS., Dec. 16.-Spe. cial.—The Harvard Index, an annual publication, has just been issued. Among other interesting data it shows the Southern attendance at Harvard; sixteen students come from Virginia and North Carolina. These men are promise teen students come from trights are promi-nent in the various social and education-al organizations of the University, and represent almost all the different de-partments. Four are registered in the three in the Lawrence Scientific school.
D. C. Brown, the student in the dental school, comes from Ruthville, Va.; J. S. Bryan, a third-year law student, comes

from Richmond.

He is well known in the University as a strong and convincing speaker on political and popular questions, and, in recognition of this characteristic, he has been elected vice-president and member of the Executive Committee of the Haracteristic and the second of the Committee of the Haracteristic and the second of the s Hapkins is taking his fourth year in t Lawrence Scientific school and is a an assistant on the faculty. His hot is in Onancock, Va. H. H. Hoone, Clayton, N. C., is in the divinity scho and F. T. Hyde, of Winchester, Va., is

and F. T. Hyde, of Winchester, Va. is an advanced student in the medical school. Joseph fl. Jones, of Holland, Va., is a second-year divinity student, and T. F. McDowell, of Tarboro, N. C. is taking his second year in the graduate school.

W. R. Mayo, of Norfolk, is prominent in social circles at Harvard. He is a sophomore in the Lawrence Scientific school, and belongs to the Southern Club, the institute of 1779, which is the oldest society at Harvard, and the Delta Phi Club. L. W. Page, a special student in the Scientific school, and A. Sledd, second-year graduate, comes from Richmond.

Origin of the Christmas Tree

the table and ran to open the door, saying: "Come in, poor little child; we have
not much to give you, but whatever we
have we will share with you."

The stranger child came in and warmed
his frozen hands and feet at the fife;
and the children gave him the best they
had to cat, saving. "You must be three,
too, poor child; lie down in our bed; we
can sleep on the bench for one night."

Then said the little stranger child:
"Thank God for all your kindness to
me:" "Thank God for all your kindness to me."

So they took their little guest into their sleeping-room, and haid him on the bed, covered him over, and said to each other. Thou thankful we ought to be to have warm rooms and a coxy bed, when this noor child has only the sky for his roof and the cold earth for his sleeping place."

When their father and mother went to bed. Mary and Valentine lay quite contentedly on the bench near the fire, saying before they fell asleep; "The stranger child will be so happy to-night in his warm bed."

Those kind children had not sleep many hours before Mary awake, and whispered to her brother: "Valentine, dear, wake! and listen to the music under the window."

Then Valentine tubbed his are

and listen to the miles under the dow."

Then Valentine rubbed his eyer and listened. It was sweet music, indeed, and sounded like beautiful voices singing to the tones of a harp:
"O, Holy Child, we greet Thee! bringing Sweet strains of harp to aid our singing.
"Thou, Holy Child, in peace art sleeping. "Thou, Holy Child, in peace art sleep-ing, While we our watch without are keep-

Happiest on earth—to Heaven the nighest."

The children listered, while a solemn for filled their hearts: then they stepped softly to the window to see who might be without.

In the cast was a streak of rosy dawn, and in the light they saw a group of children standing before the house, clothed in silver gaments, holding golden harps in their hands. Amazed at this steht, the children were gazing still out of the window, when a light tap caused them to turn round.

There stood the stranger child before them, chad in a golden dress, with a gleaning radiance round his curling hair. "I am the little Christchild," he said, who wanders through the world, bringing peace and happiness to good children. You took me in and cared for me this night, when you thought I was only a poor child, and you shall have my blessing for what you have done."

Aftr tree grew near the house. From this he broke a twig, which he planted in the ground, saying: "This twig shall become a tree, and shall bring forth fruit year by year for you."

No sooner had he done this, than he vanished, and with him the little choir of angels. But the fir branch grew and became a Christmas tree, and on its branches hung golden apples and silver nuts every Christmastide.

Such is the story told by German children concerning the beautiful Christmas tree.

Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Ruilroad Company.

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Reduced round trip continuous sage tickets between all stations and to Alexandria and Washington on sale, December 25d to the 25th inclusive, and December 25th to January 1st inclusive, final limit January 4, 1897.

Tickets good going only on date of sale. Richmond to Fredericksburg and return.

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Beginning MONDAY, December 28th, prior to taking inventory on January 1st. Prices cut in all the departments in

ONE-THIRD OFF on the entire stock of Trimmed Hats ONE-THIRD OFF on the entire stock of Ladies' Cloaks

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to a box.

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lbs, for 25c.

or 15c. peck.

25c.

ers, 5c. a pound.

1-pound Prints Creamery Butter,

Fresh Soda Crackers and Ginger

Oyster Cracker Dust and Crack-

2 bottles Brandy Peaches and

Lemon and Orange Peel, roc. lb.

4 lbs. Imported Macaroni for 25c.

1 pound La Favorita Baking Pows

der, one spoon, 4oc. Best on the

Best New Crop N. O. Molasses,

1-lb Fruit Cakes, in boxes, 15c.

New Cranberries, 7c. quart.

4 Chalmers Gelatine for 30c.

Imported Sardines, with keys,

Buttermilk Soap, 7c. box; 3 cakes

Large 1-2 Cakes Baking Chocolate

4 lbs New California Prunes for

Large London Layer Raisins, 3

Country Smoked Jowls, 5c. lb.

Good Cooking Butter, 10c, lb.

Good N. O. Molasses, 20c. gal.

Large Irish Potatoes, 10c. peck.

Green Apples, Pippins, \$1.40 bbl.,

Large Lemons, 11c. doz.

New Hominy and Grits, 2c. lb.

Large Cocoanuts, 5c.

Jelly Wine, 13c, quart.

Flake Hominy, 3c. lb.

Good Cream Cheese, roc. lb.

Fresh Mixed Cakes, 7c. lb.

New Mixed Nuts, Sc. Ib.

New Layer Figs, toc. lb.

New Dates, 5c. lb.

Best Granulated Sugar, per pound......4 Light Sugar, nearly white, per pound31/2

In Canned Goods, | New Shelled Almonds, 20c, 1b.

The following bargains: Large Cans Tomatoes, 5c.

A Sugar Corn as fine as you ever ate, at 5c. a can. Two Cans Thistle Tomatoes, 9c. Early June Peas, Sc. a can.

3 cans California Peaches for 25c., large cans.

In Flour. Best Flour in the World---Silver King Patent Family--- \$5.25, or 33c.

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